TV Serials Pending for Approval

3729. SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the TV serials and feature films pending for clearance with the Ministry and the reasons therefor and since when;

(b) the norms adopted for their approval;

(c) whether the feature films and T.V. & serials already approved for telecast fulfilled these norms; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VIYAS) : (a) No T.V. serial or feature film is pending clearance in the Ministry. However, clearance of serials and feature films for telecast on Doordarshan is a continuing process with Doordarshan.

(b) The broad guidelines adopted for approval of feature films and T.V. serials for telecast are given below:

Guidelines for approval of feature films

(i) International/National/State A ward won

(ii) Thematic value

(iii) Cinematic value

(iv) Entertainment value

(v) Year of production

(vi) Suitability for family viewing

(vii) Extent to which the film has already been commercially exploited; and

(viii) Number of times the film has been shown on TV and from which Stations/Kendras.

Guidelines for approval of T.V. serials

Doordarshan shall endeavour to approve programmes which propagate high social values combined with wholesome entertainment. In particular, preference will be given to programmes which:

(i) promote good socio-cultural values ;

(ii) seek to inculcate in the viewers equal respect for different religions, languages, schools of thought, cultures, etc; promote national integration and uphold the values enshrined in the Constitution of India;

(iii) project fairly the rich cultural diversity of the country;

(iv) promote the welfare of the weaker sections of the society and reflect the life of the people of rural India;

(v) promote healthy respect for the place of women in our society and highlight the aspirations and problems of the youth:

(vi) seek to promote a scientific temper amongst the viewers.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Houses to Homeless Labourers

3730. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR YADAV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the agriculture labourers in the country, State-wise:

(b) the average percentage of homeless labourers out of them;

(c) whether the Government propose to formulate any new schemes for providing houses to homeless labourers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) The number of Agricultural labourers as per 1981 census, State-wise, is given in Statement-I.